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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
TRANSFERRING IDENTITY ASSERTION  
INFORMATION BETWEEN TRUSTED  
PARTNER SITES IN A NETWORK USING  
ARTIFACTS

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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2008, please reconsider this application in view of the following.